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SUBJECT: IRAQI AID TO LEBANESE AND PALESTINIANS

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1. ARAB DIPLOMATS IN BAGHDAD BELIEVE THAT SYRIANS MAY HAVE STOPPED FURTHER TRANSIT OF IRAQI SUPPLIES AND VOLUNTEERS TO FIGHT IN SOUTHERN LEBANON. BAGHDAD MEDIA HAVE STEPPED UP ATTACKS ON SYRIAN REGIME. AL-THAWRA FRONT-PAGE HEADLINE OF MARCH 27 READS "ZIONIST SATISFACTION THAT SYRIAN REGIME IS PREVENTING THE ARRIVAL OF AID TO THE RESISTENCE."

2. IRAQI PAPERS OF MARCH 27 REPORT DEATH OF FIRST "IRAQI MARTYR" IN SOUTHERN LEBANESE FIGHTING. IN THIS INSTANCE, CASUALTY WAS A MEMBER OF ALF AND MAY WELL
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HAVE BEEN IN LEBANON PRIOR TO THE CURRENT FIGHTING. IRAQI MEDIA ALSO CLAIMS THAT 45,000 IRAQI PEASANTS HAVE VOLUNTEERED TO FIGHT IN SOUTHERN LEBANON AND THAT THESE SAME INDIVIDUALS HAVE DONATED \$442,000 FOR THE CAUSE.

3. BAGHDAD WAS THE SITE FOR AN EMERGENCY MEETING

OF THE ARAB HEALTH MINISTER'S EXECUTIVE BUREAU WHICH
VOTED TO ALLOCATE \$3 MILLION TO COVER IMMEDIATE MEDICAL
NEEDS FOR LEBANON. ASSISTANCE IS TO BE CHanneLED
TO THE LEBANESE HEALTH MINISTRY AND PALESTINE RED
CRESCENT SOCIETY.
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